

AMENDMENTS TO SPECIFICATION

Page 1, lines 4 and 5, please replace the paragraph with the following:

The applicants have ~~Applicant has~~ filed a provisional application on September 17, 2002, application No. ~~60/411,471~~ 60/411,476.

Page 6, beginning at line 3, through page 7, line 4, please replace the paragraph with the following:

An important feature of the present invention is the presence of light source 26. Light source 26 performs a very different function from the light sources shown in U.S. Patent No. 6,553,592 and 6,220,251. That is, the light source 26 is placed close enough to the finger tip to illuminate the inner portion of the finger tip so that it glows with an orange glow causing the nail ledge to appear dark in color. Most everyone is familiar with the effect of placing a flashlight under the palm of one's hand at night and turning it on. This causes one's hand to glow orange. This same effect is accomplished by light source 26 if it is placed near or touching the tip 31 of finger 32. By the term "near" it is intended to mean a small fraction of an inch such as $\frac{1}{8}$ of an inch or less. The fingernail is indicated by reference character 33 in Figure 5 and that portion of the fingernail which extends beyond the subject's finger is indicated by reference character 34 in Figure 6. When the light source is placed to cause the finger tip to glow orange, the intersection 35 between that portion of the fingernail 33 over the subject's finger and the extending part of the nail 34 appears much darker and is highly visible. Therefore, the fingernails can be easily and precisely cut in dim light or even in darkness. Light source 26 guides the nail clippers to an

appropriate position over the fingernail and once in position, lights the inner portion of the finger tip to facilitate the positioning of the cutting line 36 between upper blade 22 and lower blade 23.

Page 8, lines 16-20, please replace the paragraph with the following:

While the device has been shown and described with the presence of a light, the hand graspable handle itself is useful even if the light is not turned on or not used. The ease with which the nail clippers can be positioned is greatly enhanced by handle [26] 30.